

AN EVER-WIDENING CIRCLE OF GRACE



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**John Dillon, Pastor**  
**August 14, 2022 | 10:00 am**

# WE GATHER IN GRACE

*A “+” indicates all are invited to stand in either body or spirit.  
Reminders: Our worship service is being livestreamed and is on Zoom.*

PRELUDE: WITH KINDNESS

Brian McLaren

WORDS OF WELCOME

+HYMN # 411: GOD IS HERE TODAY

+CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Day by day, God leads us:

**All: to the deep, deep pools of peace,  
to the green, lush lawns of grace.**

One: Day by day, Jesus calls us:

**All: to pour out ourselves in service,  
to anoint the stranger with hope.**

One: Day by day, the Holy Spirit shows us:

**All: the community we could be,  
the family we are called to become.**

+TEACH US YOUR WAYS

Porters Gate

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**All: Everlasting God, we must confess how we have not  
lived as your people. We serve many masters—  
work, wealth, power, addictions—yet find no hope  
in them. We hear the cries of the poor and shut the  
doors of our hearts to them. We ridicule those who  
expose their hopes and dreams to us.**

**Forgive us, Compassion's Heart, and heal us of our  
brokenness. Make us well, so that by our healing,  
we might be the hope and love others need in their  
lives, even as Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior,  
brought these gifts to us, calling us to be faithful  
with the grace, peace, and joy entrusted to us.**

## ABSOLUTION AND PASSING THE PEACE

Pastor: Now, let us let go of the pain, the bitterness, the anger of our lives and let us be kind, tender-hearted, and gentle towards each other, forgiving as God has forgiven us.

**All: We are God's beloved children and will model God's grace and love in our hearts. Thanks be to God! We are forgiven! Amen.**

Pastor: Let us share the peace with one another

+ GOD'S LOVE IS FOR EVERYBODY

Bryan Moyer Suderman

**God's love is for everybody,  
everyone around the world;  
you and me and all God's children  
from across the street to around the world,  
across the street to around the world.**

## WE GROW IN GRACE

WEE WORSHIP AND BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

HYMN #188: JESUS LOVES ME

SCRIPTURE READING:

Exodus 17:1-7 & John 4: 4-26

MESSAGE "*Jesus Christ: Ultimate Bucket Filler*" Rev. John Dillon

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OFFERING: BE THOU MY VISION

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all people here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore.  
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.**

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## **WE GO IN GRACE**

+BENEDICTION

+SENDING: WITH KINDNESS

Brian McLaren

*We gather in grace, we grow in grace, we go in grace...  
The journey continues in an ever-widening circle of grace.*

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**MUSIC LEADERS: CHOIR**

**DIRECTED BY: ANTHONY JAY HOUSTON AND SCOTT IDDINGS**

**ACCOMPANISTS: ANN LEGG AND MIKE GRISWOLD**

**TECHNICAL DIRECTOR: STEVE CONNELL**



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## **Hymn 411: God is Here Today**

God is here today;  
as certain as the air I breathe,  
as certain as the morning sun that rises,  
as certain when I sing you'll hear my song.

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### **Teach Us Your Ways**

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Teach us Your ways, teach us Your ways.  
As we learn from one another,  
learn to love each other,  
teach us Your ways.

Teach us to give, teach us to give,  
give ourselves for one another,  
learn to help each other,  
teach us to give.

Teach us to weep, teach us to weep.  
Let us weep with one another,  
learn to love each other,  
teach us to weep.

Hallelujah, hallelujah!  
Let us learn from one another,  
learn to love each other,  
teach us Your ways.

## **Hymn 188: Jesus Loves Me**

Jesus loves me! This I know,  
for the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to him belong.  
They are weak, but he is strong.  
Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me!  
The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! This I know,  
as he loved so long ago,  
taking children on his knee,  
saying, "Let them come to me."  
Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me!  
The Bible tells me so.

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## **With Kindness**

Brian McLaren

Christ has no body here but ours  
No hands, no feet, here on earth but ours  
Ours are the eyes through which he looks  
On this world  
With Kindness

Ours are the hands through which he works  
Ours are the feet on which he moves  
Ours are the voices through which he speaks  
To this world  
With Kindness